

SERVIANS DEFEAT FOUR ARMY CORPS

DECISIVE VICTORY NORTH OF WARSAW

Russians' Successes Clinched
by Wide Movement From
Plock to Mlawa

BATTLE CONTINUING TO SOUTH OF CRACOW

Fighting in Caucasus Has Re-
sulted in Repulse and Pur-
suit of Enemy.

Petrograd, Dec. 14.—Reports reaching here to-day from the front state that the operations of Russian forces north of Warsaw, partial success of which was announced last week, have now resulted in a decisive victory after having forced the German front beyond Czechow and Przessy. The Russian success on this front, according to these advices, has been clinched by a wide swinging movement of the advancing Russian left on the main highway from Plock to Mlawa, concluding in a heavy cavalry engagement at Jurominietra, seven miles southeast of Mlawa.

Russian successes of this nature would have three important results. The immediate pressure north of Warsaw would be relieved and the German threat against the railroad lines leading east from the city would be arrested.

Russian troops on the right of the Vistula river would be freed to seek a crossing and endanger the position of the left wing of the German army in the region of Lodz.

It is said that the Russians will now be able to straighten their entire front running to the Mazurian lakes.

A statement from the Russian general staff says: "In the Mlawa region we have brought our offensive to a successful conclusion on the whole of the front."

"On the 12th instant we captured a German position in the region of Przessy and Tschekanoff, and chased the retreating enemy toward his frontier."

"In this district also our cavalry made a successful charge and inflicted very heavy losses upon the enemy."

"On the front of Lowitz-Now, the Germans, charging stubbornly at the attack, suffered important losses at the hands of our troops who captured in this region another position to the north of the Bzura river."

"In the other regions on the left bank of the Vistula nothing has occurred but unimportant encounters."

"To the south of Cracow the situation is unchanged. The battle there continues."

"In the Carpathians our troops and the Austrians continued their man-
sions."

An official statement telling of the bombardment by Turkish warships of the Russian fortified port of Batum, in the Black Sea, was issued to-day by the headquarters of the Caucasian army. "On Saturday, December 12, toward 2 o'clock in the afternoon, the former German battle cruiser Goeben, accompanied by the Turkish torpedo gunboat Berkli Satvet, approached Batum and attempted to bombard the fortifications of the city."

"The fort, however, opened fire and the Goeben, after firing 15 shots, rapidly withdrew. The damage caused by the fire of the warships was insignifi-
cant."

An official statement issued by the Russian army staff of the Caucasus says: "All day Friday fighting occurred on the front extending through the villages of Prysuk, Asmer and Tutsak (southeast of Erzrum). The enemy was everywhere repulsed and pursued beyond the Euphrates with severe losses."

Petrograd, Dec. 14.—The general staff of the Russian army has given out the following communication under date of Sunday, December 13: "There has been no engagement of importance on any of the fronts. In the region of Mlawa we continue to force back the German troops, who are in retreat."

"On the left wing of the river Vistula there has been no change."

"In the region of Mount Buckia, Austrian columns are coming down the northern slope of the Carpathians."

EMPEROR IS TO HAVE OPERATION ON THROAT

London, Dec. 14.—Telegraphing from Berne, Switzerland, a correspondent of the Central News says: "A telegram received here from Munich states that it has been decided to operate on Emperor William's throat, but the operation is being deferred owing to the feverish condition of the emperor."

CANADIAN OFFICER VISITS PETROGRAD

Colonel Mackie to Join Rus-
sian Headquarters Staff for
Purpose of Observation

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—Word has been received by the militia department that Colonel Herbert Mackie, of Pembroke, who went with the first contingent, has arrived in Petrograd. It is assumed that Colonel Mackie has gone to Russia to join the Russian headquarters staff for purposes of observation.

Sir John Hanbury Williams represents the British army on the Russian staff. Colonel Mackie, who is a son of the late Thomas Mackie, M.P. for North Renfrew, served in South Africa.

The militia department reports the death of Major James W. Guerin, of the Princess Patricia Light Infantry. The next kin is Mrs. C. Guerin, Belfast, Ireland.

SEATTLE MAKES LOW COLD WEATHER MARK

Washington Bureau Reports
Tumbling Temperatures in
Many Places

Seattle, Dec. 14.—A temperature of 24 degrees above zero was recorded at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, which is ten degrees below normal. This is the coldest weather for December recorded since the establishment of the local weather bureau.

Ellensburg, Wash., Dec. 14.—All records for cold weather in the Kittitas Valley were broken. Tuesday morning the government thermometer showed 16 below, and yesterday morning it was 16 below. Nearly a foot and a half of snow is on the ground.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Colder weather throughout the east is forecasted by the weather bureau for to-night and Tuesday. All through the southern states, the greater central valleys and the lake region to-day the temperatures were tumbling, and in the upper Mississippi valley and the north plains the mercury was below the zero mark.

Cold wave warnings were scattered through the aeries of the forecasters throughout New England, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and the mountain districts of the middle Atlantic states, and a general blanket of rain and sleet in other places. Shifting gales along the Atlantic coast accompanied it, and storm warnings are up again from Hatteras to Eastport.

The heaviest snowfall reported to weather bureau headquarters was 18 inches at Oswego, N. Y.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 14.—The coldest weather of the present winter prevailed in this part of the country to-day. Norfolk, Neb., reported the temperature 21 degrees below zero. Seven degrees below was the minimum in Omaha.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 14.—The storm that swept western New York last night and to-day deposited more than a foot of snow on the ground. Country roads are blocked and traffic on steam and suburban trolley roads is delayed. The storm was accompanied by a sharp drop in the temperature.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—Charitable organizations were overwhelmed to-day with people to aid as a result of a cold wave which swept the Great Lakes region last night. The temperature dropped 31 degrees to zero in twenty hours. All municipal lodging houses were packed with homeless men last night.

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 14.—Duluth shivered to-day in a north wind that brought street thermometers down to seventeen below zero, the lowest of the season. No snow has fallen here and St. Louis bay is frozen over with the heat racing ice in years.

OTTAWA CIVIL SERVANTS WANT TO BE ENROLLED

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—Four hundred members of the civil service at Ottawa are anxious to be enrolled in a military unit. Secretary Grifson of the civil service federation has written a letter to Premier Borden to this effect. Sir Robert, in reply, thanked the federation for their offer and also for having raised \$100,000 for the patriotic fund.

NO POLITICAL ISSUE TO CAUSE ELECTION

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Does Not
Think Conservatives Will
Appeal to Country

CANADA SHOULD HAVE WARSIPS OF HER OWN

Liberal Leader Advises Pa-
tience Until War Ends and
Domestic Matters Arise

Montreal, Dec. 13.—Discussing the war situation at a banquet of the Montreal Reform club, at which he was the guest of honor, Sir Wilfrid Laurier last night dealt, slightly with Canadian politics. He declared that all political discussion had been abandoned for the time being and there was no political issue now. He did not think the government would appeal to the country.

Sir Wilfrid compared his position and that of the Liberal party to that of the British forces under Sir John French, while retreating from Mons, who, though retiring, were by no means disengaged. Like the famous commander, Sir Wilfrid said, the Liberals had fought a rearguard action and were not disengaged. "If he had but one word to say to his party it would be 'Don't be disheartened.'

Sir Wilfrid said he would not attempt to apply the Monroe Doctrine. It was international. The Americans made it and they would apply it.

"For my part," he added, "I have always been an admirer of the American people, and when I left office our relations with that country were more cordial than they ever had been before. I will say, however, that if Canada had to be saved I would not have recourse to the Monroe Doctrine, although I might accept assistance from our neighbors."

"Canada," he said, "should rely on her own resources, for no people are worthy of the name that will not defend themselves." He is not afraid of a German invasion. "There is no fear of a German invasion," he declared, "while Britannia rules the waves." He did not say, however, that if Canada had to be saved I would not have recourse to the Monroe Doctrine, although I might accept assistance from our neighbors."

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The danger which threatened British commerce was greatly lessened on the day the Sydenham put the Emden out of business, and if the Australian navy did such good work, why could not Canadian ships do the same under similar circumstances?"

Speaking of the attitude of the Liberal party in Canada, Sir Wilfrid said he had no great love for the Conservative party, but he loved his native land as well as France, the land of his ancestors, and England, the land of liberty, therefore he would prefer to retire from public life rather than embarrass the government at the present time. So long as the war is going on he and his party would support the government in any effort to provide for the defence and well-being of the empire. "In this respect and on this attitude he would stand by Mr. Asquith."

As for the statement that a general election might take place soon, he did not think there would be an election. Sir Wilfrid said, he could not believe that the government, even if it were advised to the contrary by certain people, would appeal to the country just now. The time would come, however, when there would be domestic problems, and in the meantime the leader asked the young men of the party to have patience. He was as strong a party man as anyone, but to those who might ask for a political agitation, he again advised patience. The opposition leader emphasized that when Britain is at war the Dominion of Canada is also at war.

DOMINION PATRIOTIC FUND NOW \$1,331,659

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 14.—The Dominion patriotic fund now totals \$1,331,659.

Winnipeg, Dec. 14.—Winnipeg and

Manitoba patriotic funds reached \$36,687.14. It is expected that the combined funds will reach one million dollars before the new year.

DRESDEN UNDAMAGED IS AT PUNTA ARENAS

Washington, Dec. 14.—American

Consul Latham at Punta Arenas late

to-day cabled the state department

that the German cruiser Dresden had

reached that port safely and undam-



SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

QUIET REPORTED IN FRENCH STATEMENT

German Batteries Are Moving
Northward in the Meuse
District

GERMANS DRIVEN FROM POSITION ON THE AISNE

French Have Made Consider-
able Advance Fighting in
Alsace Front

Paris, Dec. 14.—The French official statement given out in Paris to-day reports comparative quiet in Flanders and artillery exchanges of relatively minor importance elsewhere. In the Meuse, German batteries are said to be moving to the north. In the Woerre district the French captured a trench and repulsed counter attacks. The advance of the French into Alsace has brought it to a point north of Altkirch and about ten miles to the east of the frontier.

The text of the communication follows:

"There has been nothing of importance to report between the sea and the Oise.

"In the region of the Aisne, to the northwest of Soissons, the enemy bombard our entrencheds violently.

"We replied and demolished his position. There were no infantry attacks from one side or the other. Our artillery destroyed an important field work of the enemy in the vicinity of Ailles.

"In the Argonne, at the forest of LaGrui, we have made slight progress by the use of mines. There were no attacks from the enemy.

"On the heights of the Meuse, there has been violent cannonading by batteries of the enemy, which appear to have been moved to positions farther north.

"In the Woerre district, after having occupied a line of entrenchments along a front of 500 yards, in the forest of Mortain, our troops repulsed two violent counter attacks.

"In Alsace our advance has brought our front to a line that passes 425 yards to the north of Steinbach, thence to Pont d'Ashach, and thence to Pont de Brinighoff, 1,300 yards to the west of Eglingen.

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"In the direction of Milanovatz and Belgrade the enemy's attacks have been unsuccessful. Along this front the enemy has commenced to retreat and our troops are advancing.

"On the Danube front there is no change.

"On December 11 we took prisoners seven officers and 4,740 soldiers, several of whom were wounded. We also captured three

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BLACK SEA PORT WAS UNDER BOMBARDMENT

CONNECTICUT CONVICTS NOW KNOWN AS INMATES

London, Dec. 12.—A dispatch received here from Constantinople by way of Berlin says a Turkish fleet has bombarded the environs of Batum, the Russian seaport on the eastern coast of the Black Sea. One hundred Russians were killed and a number were wounded by the fire.

Harford, Conn., Dec. 14.—The word "convict" referring to prisoners is no longer in use at the Connecticut state prison. It became known to-day that it is one of a number of changes in the rules and regulations of the institution, made recently by Warden Ward A. Garner. Instead of "convict" is used "inmate" or prisoner.

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LATE NIGHT WAR NEWS

TRIES TO PUT BLAME OF MINES ON RUSSIA

Sweden Not Satisfied With
Germany's Reply Regarding
Loss of Three Ships

Stockholm via London, Dec. 13.—Germany's answer to Sweden's request for explanation of the laying of mines off Germany, by which three Swedish ships were blown up, is considered far from satisfactory by the Swedish press. The answer denies that German ships laid the mines on Saturday or Sunday last, but says nothing concerning previous days. It states that, owing to the intention of Russia to establish a winter naval base, German mines were laid in the Aland Archipelago, later than Sunday, of which Sweden was notified Monday. This was after the Swedish ships were sunk.

The Swedish minister of foreign affairs to-day gave out a statement with regard to the recent sinking of three Swedish steamers as the result of striking mines in the Gulf of Bothnia.

"The Germans," the statement says, "declare that the mines were Russian, as no German mine-laying has been done up to the time of the disaster. Official investigations made by Finland disclose that several groups of anchored mines were German and not Russian, and that they had been laid up during the war in the Gulf of Bothnia. No floating mines, it was stated, had been found.

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Important Advance Made by
French Troops in Forest
of Lapretre

Paris, Dec. 13.—An important advance by the French troops in the forest of Lapretre, in France, and the repulse of three violent German infantry attacks to the southeast of Ypres, Belgium, were the outstanding feature of the French official communication issued this afternoon. The statement read: "The day of December 12 was particularly quiet. The enemy's activity was shown especially by an intermittent cannonade at different points on the front. In the region to the southeast of Ypres there were ventured, however, three violent attacks which were repulsed.

"In the woods of LaPrete we have made important progress.

"In the Vosges the enemy attacked on various occasions, the post of LaMere Henri to the northwest of Senones, but was repulsed.

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ITALY AGAIN DEMANDS APOLOGY FROM TURKEY

Germany Advised Sublime
Porte to Apologize for In-
sult to Consuls

Rome, Dec. 13.—Italy has reiterated her urgent demand for satisfaction to the Sublime Porte for the forcible removal of G. A. Richardson, the British consul at Hodeida, from the Italian consulate, where he had taken refuge, and for his immediate liberation. It is understood that Germany had advised the Constantinople government to satisfy Italy's demand and thus avoid complications.

Baron Sonnino, foreign minister of Italy, in answering an interpolation in the chamber of deputies yesterday regarding the incident, gave the story of Consul Richardson's arrest, which already had been made public. He added that Signor Coochi, the Italian consul at Hodeida, who came to the defense of his colleague, was obliged to remain in his own house, which was watched for several days until the arrival of the Italian coast guard ship Giuliano and the Italian armored cruiser Marco Polo, which had been ordered to Hodeida.

The Turkish government, in answering a request for reparation, said that it was awaiting information and would adopt the necessary measures.

Baron Sonnino concluded by saying that he did not believe the Ottoman government wished to share the responsibility of such a patent violation of consulate rights.

WARSHIPS OFF PANAMA COALED BY COLLERS

Panama, Dec. 14.—It was reported here Saturday that a squadron of six British warships met four British colliers at a point on the high seas fifty miles south of Panama and coaled from them. It is believed locally that these warships came from Australian waters; one of them is even said to be the Australian battle cruiser Australia. For several days past there has been much wireless interference and it is believed that the colliers and the warships have been in communication. Also ship captains coming into Balboa have reported the nearness of British cruisers.

Six British colliers have called at Panama during the last few days. This concentration of colliers undoubtedly has been for the purpose of supplying the British squadron.

A Japanese fleet is said to be off the coast of Chile and the British warships are believed to have sailed for the south to effect a junction with the Japanese.

GERMAN FOUND HIDDEN AND ESCAPING IN TRUNK

London, Dec. 14.—A vigilante customs officer at Gravesend made a sensational capture of a German army officer whom he extricated from hiding in a huge trunk that was about to be shipped from Gravesend to Rotterdam.

This trunk was going forward as ordinary merchandise on board the steamer Batavier. The customs officer became suspicious and gave orders that the padlocks on the trunk be cut off. This was done, and when the lid was removed his suspicions were justified.

A man, later identified as a German officer, was lifted out of the box. He was removed to the Gravesend police station. Bedding, food and water were found in the trunk, and it was evident that the man was prepared for a long stay.

It is believed that this officer made his escape from one of the internment camps in England and it is evident that he must have had accomplices in his efforts to leave the country hidden in the trunk. It is supposed that he was endeavoring to convey information to Germany.

RAMSAY MACDONALD, M. P. GOES TO BATTLE-FRONT

London, Dec. 14.—James Ramsay Macdonald, M. P., and chairman of the Labor party, has gone to the front with an ambulance corps, says to the Leicestershire Post. Mr. Macdonald for a time was bitterly opposed to the war. He accused Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, of being responsible of Britain's participation.

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FIGHTING IN ARGONNE FOREST IS DESCRIBED

Germans Lose Heavily in Attempts to Move French From Trees

London, Dec. 15.—A correspondent of the Times gives the following account of the difficult nature of fighting in the Argonne:

"Anybody who knows the Argonne will readily understand why it is that the actions which are daily being fought out in its sombre depths should be to quote the official description of them so exceptionally murderous. It is a forest in which there are extremely few open spaces of any kind. To the north there is the pass of Grand Pre, one of the passes through which, over 100 years ago, the Prussians fought their way before their defeat at Vaudrey; roughly half-way down is the road running from Vienne-le-Cateau, on the western fringe, through Le Four-de-Paris to Varennes, on the eastern outskirts; right down in the south is the pass of Les Islettes, through which runs the railway line from Chalons and Ste. Menehould to Clermont-en-Argonne, and eventually to Verdun. There is a good road along the valley of the Blesme, which flows practically north and south along much of the middle of the forest, and again near the eastern outskirts there is an old Roman roadway with the medieval and picturesque name of 'Haute Chevannerie,' which connects the village of Cornay in the north with Clermont in the south, and which passes at the head of all the principal valleys. With these few exceptions, however, the paths are of the roughest, and it is often impossible to force one's way through the tangled underwood which covers the sides of the many wild and picturesque vales by which the clay backbone of the forest is cut up."

"Country such as this naturally lends itself to a guerre de siège, and the whole of this region has been honeycombed with devices for destroying the enemy. There are innumerable carefully concealed positions, so cunningly hidden away by logs of wood and undergrowth that it is impossible to detect them until you stumble suddenly right upon them. Sometimes the opposing forces are stationed so close to one another that the soldiers pelt each other with stones like grenades, in the very depths of the forest, in fact, the fighting has in it almost a touch of these old days so well described in Balzac's 'Les Chouans,' when Marche-a-Terre and his compatriots are at grips with the bleus. It is impossible often to make any use of artillery, and no aeroplane can spy down into the tangled underwoods. The personal element has something like fair-scope for its display."

"The letter of a German soldier, a transcription of which was shown to me, gives a good idea of how things are going in this forest. The writer's regiment was ordered to clear out certain little French detachments which were troubling the Germans. As he set out, the difficulty of the task was made known to him by a compatriot of another regiment, who told him they had lost 60 men the day before without even catching a glimpse of their enemies. After describing his arrival on the Roman road, the writer proceeds:

"From this point onwards the forest has practically no roadways; it is just an impenetrable thicket. On all sides we were greeted with rifle fire, though we could see nothing. Bullets were fired as we even from the upper branches of trees. An advance was impossible. The following morning the same thing occurred, without having reached a single enemy we lost in two days 200 men. Much of this fire came at us obliquely and caused terrible wounds. At the moment I am writing one of our men has been struck by a bullet, although the enemy in the position directly facing us has not fired a shot. For five days now we have been trying in vain to carry this French position. At night they fire, in the morning they sleep and in the afternoon they play the mouthorgan and indulge in sports. We are here clearly all that is going on. My battalion is hunched up in a narrow gorge, where it is terribly cold and into which the sun can penetrate only for a few hours. If anybody budges an inch we hear the order to fire given, and a storm of bullets sweeps along the defile."

POLICEMAN IS INJURED AT THREE RIVERS; DIES

Three Rivers, Que., Dec. 14.—Police-man Joseph Caron was found early on Sunday morning lying in a vacant lot in the centre of the city with his head smashed in and unconscious. He was taken to a hospital and died last night. Rumors are being circulated in town in connection with the tragedy. It is known that one policeman got drunk and assaulted other members of the force and was locked up.

TWO NEGROES LYCHED.

Shreveport, La., Dec. 12.—Handcuffed-together Charles Washington and Beard Henderson, negroes, charged with killing and robbing Cyrus Hotchkin, white, near Mooringport, La., last night, were taken from officers and lynched near here to-day.

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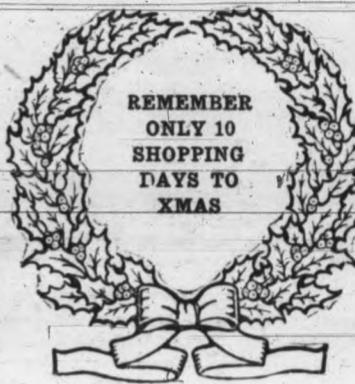
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THE WAR.

Austria has received from Servia a blow between the eyes which must have made her fairly reel. The victory, one of the most decisive of the war, is growing every day, and before the pursuit of the fugitives is finished the victors will have to look after enough prisoners to compose an army corps. The right wing of the invading army has been hopelessly shattered. Part of it has escaped to Austrian territory and the pursuers have reached Shabat in the northwest corner of Servia. Another section endeavoring to retire into Bosnia has been smashed by the Montenegrins at Visegrad, with the loss of several thousand prisoners. The centre and left are retreating to Belgrade after several attempts at reorganized resistance. In killed, wounded and prisoners Austria's latest venture has cost her probably fifty thousand men, besides numerous pieces of artillery and a large quantity of other supplies.

Military men are reported to be amazed at Servia's reversal of form. Apparently they attached to the evacuation of Belgrade the same importance with which it was regarded by Berlin and Vienna. But Belgrade had no military value and Slav strategy does not concern itself with any other considerations than military values. Russia is quite prepared to abandon Warsaw, as she abandoned Lodz, if military requirements demand the sacrifice. If this war has shown anything it is the utter futility of wasting large armies on the defence or capture of towns and cities for moral effect. Joffre abandoned the entire third line of France's fortified centres to the Germans last August. He made no attempt to hold Lille, Rheims, Amiens or Laon. He probably would have evacuated Paris if its services were not a military necessity. Political or sentimental considerations are not in the military lexicon of the allied leaders.

Nor is the redemption of French and Belgian cities now occupied by the Germans aimed at except as incidental to the main object. Why waste thousands of men in mad rush on Lille when, after beating the Germans who occupy positions in the vicinity, that place will fall like ripe fruit into their hands? There is little doubt that the allies have taken Roulers or are bombarding it. Yet the French report merely mentions fighting to the northeast of Ypres. The only importance attached to the capture of Roulers is derived from its strategic position and not because it is a town. Undoubtedly the allies are making marked advances in Flanders on the right bank of the Yser, on the north and south of Lille, in the Argonne, in the Woëvre district and in Alsace. The advance in the forest of La Preire, between the Meuse and the Nancy-Metz road, is especially important. It will not long now before the Germans are compelled to relinquish their grip on St. Mihiel and Chauvencourt, on the Meuse, or suffer annihilation.

Whether the allies are engaged in their main offensive or in preliminary movements is in doubt. They are operating in complete harmony with the Russian plans and it was generally understood that they would delay their principal attack until the Russians had drawn the Germans in Poland so far away from their railroads that they would be unable to send reinforcements to their western front if dangerously pressed in Belgium and Lorraine. Unless the Russians intend to retire upon the Vistula or behind it, that moment seems to have arrived. We look for some very material progress in the west within the next week or two. Fighting a politico-military campaign, Germany is in a serious position. She cannot retire very far in Belgium without admitting defeat to the German people, to reassure whom her general staff finds it necessary to wage war on alien territory and to engage in all sorts of theatrical ventures regardless

of the sacrifice. Her only hope lies in the prospect of an early victory which will compel the defeated to sue for peace. But neither Russia nor France has been more than scratched. Defeats only would confirm their determination to prolong the struggle, so Germany is between her foes without and the prospect of a populace roused to fury against its leaders at home.

Apparently, however, Russia does not intend to retire farther than her present front. This has been rendered unnecessary by the defeat of General Francois's army, which attempted to strike at Warsaw from the northeast. After capturing Prasny, the invaders were attacked by strong Russian forces, which have inflicted upon them a decisive defeat, forcing them over the East Prussian frontier and giving the Russian right wing on the right bank of the Vistula elbow-room in which to cross that river and threaten the rear of the German forces in the vicinity of Loda. At the time this German movement was announced we predicted its defeat, for it was in a dangerous corner and could be threatened from several directions. Slowly but inevitably Germany is being reduced to the necessity of a general retirement to her own frontier in both the east and west, when the first and most difficult task of the allies will have been completed. When the Germans realize they are beaten they will quit. They are not, and never were, last-ditch fighters.

BUY AT HOME.

In the abstract everyone seems to view with favor the "buy in Victoria" movement. The principle involved is vital, as anyone can see who gives the matter serious consideration. As a community our inter-dependence is obvious. If the habit of purchasing even a small proportion of the goods we require were carried to its ultimate point, Victoria soon would cease to be a great business centre. It would decline to the position of a country village. This habit has been indulged too far already for the general welfare of the community—we believe more from thoughtlessness than anything else. Perhaps our manufacturers, merchants and dealers have been somewhat to blame for the development of this habit. Through lack of aggressiveness, or possibly as a result of indifference in prosperous times, they may have let openings for enterprise in eastern and foreign houses with their illusive catalogues and attractive inducements to step in and appropriate business which should have remained the possession of local houses. But if our merchants have been slightly remiss in the past they are thoroughly awake now. They are "out for the business," and they are making the terms such as cannot be met by any concern on the outside, taking all the conditions into consideration. No one whose interests are involved in the present status and future prospects of Victoria should send away for a single article that can be bought at home, and its worth estimated by actual examination before it is bought. We should all work together to make the "buy in Victoria" campaign a success.

INVASION OF BRITAIN.

Major-General Baden-Powell is among those military men who anticipate a German attempt at an invasion of Great Britain. He thinks the effort will be made on the Yorkshire coast in order to smash the chief centres of British industry, and that the Kaiser will endeavor to land at least ninety thousand troops.

Of course it is impossible to forecast German military operations.

A general staff which hoped to crush France in three weeks, Russia in six and looked for revolutions in Ireland, India and the other British dominions, is likely to attempt anything.

But in the programme of eccentric and futile operations attempted to date could be so insane as a German invasion of England in this war. Falling in her campaign in the west, where she had merely to climb the fence in the face of an enemy relatively unprepared, falling against the rapidly growing might of Russia, bending all her energies to the maintenance of almost a thousand miles of battle-front, her fleet bottled up by a navy at least twice as powerful, aside altogether from the French channel squadron, Germany might as well hope to invade Mars as engage successfully in an adventure against Britain.

Let us assume, as scaramongers must assume, that Sir John Jellicoe and his merry men had been indulging in the lotus leaf and went to sleep for a week, and that a German army had an uninterrupted course to the English coast. It would be relatively small in numbers: it could not comprise soldiers of more formidable pretensions than the Landsturm or Landwehr. The first line troops have departed for Valhalla. What would the situation amount to? Nothing less than an invasion by one hundred thousand third rate troops of a country which could and would in such an emergency present a front of four or five millions. Then we may presume that the noise would awaken the British fleet of thirty-five dreadnaughts, innumerable other battleships

and cruisers; two hundred and eighty destroyers, possibly a hundred submarines and a large array of air craft, aside from the French squadron. They would destroy both the German army of invasion and its convoying fleet.

While it may be good policy to hold up the spectre of a German invasion of Britain to stimulate recruiting, it strikes the outside world as suspect to alarms and scaring rumors as the most far-fetched proposition this war has yet produced. If the bulk of the German army with practically no obstacles could get no farther into France than a strip along the northern frontier, how on earth could a force ranging from one hundred thousand to two hundred thousand men expect to cross the seas and land upon Britain's shores. What is much more feasible would be a British invasion of Germany, and in this connection we would point out that Germans are making every preparation against such an enterprise. One of the very excellent reasons why the German fleet does not put to sea is the possibility that following its defeat by the superior naval force would be the landing of British and Russian troops near both ends of the Kiel canal.

Some military men seem to be so much impressed with German militarism that they attribute to it all sorts of miraculous powers.

STRATHCONA PARK.

A few days ago we published an article on the work at Strathcona Park on information obtained from a gentleman who recently visited the district. Yesterday the morning paper printed a rejoinder from the foreman in charge of the operations strongly denying the accuracy of the statements in our article. At one point the foreman says:

"Great complaint is made about the trees that were planted this fall. I personally superintended the planting of these trees, and they were planted in an orderly manner and practically at equal distances apart. As time goes on it is anticipated to give the road to the park the appearance of an avenue. As the evergreen forest trees are removed in logging, the beautiful deciduous trees will be found well cared for, symmetrical in form, lining the roadway as along the famous avenues of Europe. The park management has given most careful attention to the character of the trees to be planted, and every tree was chosen with reference to the character of the soil in which it was put."

We have no doubt that at Strathcona Park Nature will be corrected and improved. Obviously, too, we could not hope to reproduce the Bois de Boulogne, the Rue de Rivoli and Unter den Linden with the meagre assortment of forest growth to be found on this island. So it is necessary to import to the district those beautiful deciduous trees, carefully chosen vines and plants, to be cunningly incorporated into the rock formations. But is Colonel Thomsen going to stop at these deft embellishments of Nature's crude and un-intelligent handiwork? Should we not convert the Campbell river into a Rhine and Bute lake into a Lucerne?

Interviewed by the editor of Figaro, the well-known French journal, a few years ago, Count Reventlow, a stout champion of pan-Germanism and writer on naval subjects, said that Great Britain would not risk participation in a European war. "She would be running too great risks," he explained. "She's aware that in the North Sea strategical conditions would be in our favor. She knows that she has countless vulnerable spots on the face of the globe and that we have none." Such was the general German appraisement of the situation as far as Great Britain was concerned. It had one fatal weakness—it was absolutely wrong. Revealing in their self-conceit the unfortunate pan-Germanists seem to have been afflicted with an ignorance of everything outside of Germany that will astound the historian for generations to come.

Germany's intimate associate, Turkey, seems bent upon entangling Italy in the war. Apparently the Constantinople view is that if Turkey must go Germany and Austria must fall too, in which event the more in the war the better.

Generals Joffre and Foch received from King George the Order of the Bath during the monarch's recent visit to France. Whether the two great generals found time to obey the order the dispatch does not say.

May we respectfully invite the attention of the First Lord of the Admiralty to the meeting on H. M. C. S. Mudrak yesterday.

FROM THE FRONT.

By Granville Rice.

The situation continues satisfactory.

(London and Berlin reports.)

Four hundred thousand bodies

of men that used to be.

A red drift in the rotting soil.

A stencil beneath the sea;

Ten million women weeping.

As hungry children cling—

If this be SATISFACTORY—

What rapture Hell must bring.

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THANK THE BOERS FOR IT.

From the Indianapolis Star.

Chance, quite as much as necessity, is the mother of invention. It is a romantic surmise, but reasonable, that some prehistoric cave dweller threw what he thought was just a curiously colored stone into his camp fire and saw a strange molten substance flow from it, which later hardened and made a better weapon than any of his flints. So began the Iron Age.

In a later day a hard-headed farming people, fighting against the encroachments of an outside nation, and short in the knowledge of chemistry, found an abattoir, and other hard sounding things, in which the identification impeded the approach of the enemy with barbed wire. The farmers had been building fences around new land when the war started, and the wire was the only handy thing they had.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next Session by the Corporation of the District of Saanich for an Act to be entitled "Saanich Municipality Act, 1915":

(a) Authorizing the Council of the Municipality, in addition to all powers contained in Subs. 106, of Sec. 54 of the Municipal Act, to pass a By-Law charging the owners or occupants of any house, property, tenement, lot or part of lot, or both, in, through, or near to, the water main or pipe, or any part of the water main or pipe, and for charging the owners or occupants of any house, property, tenement, lot or part of lot, or both, in, through, or near to, the water main or pipe, a reasonable rent or charge for the use or opportunity of use of the water, whether such owner or occupant shall use the water or not, or is connected or not with the water main or pipe, and for charging the owners or occupants of any house, property, tenement, lot or part of lot, or part of lot, fronting on any street in, through or part of which any water main or pipe are to be placed, provided the pipe or main runs in, through or past the said house, property, lot or part of lot, with a reasonable rent or charge for the use or opportunity of using the water, whether there is any connection or not, and for providing that these powers shall apply to all waterworks, pipes, tanks, reservoirs, and tanks, Improvement Streets, and taken over by the Municipality, and to all waterworks hereafter constructed with money heretofores.

(b) Authorizing the Council of the Municipality, when a work is to be or has been undertaken or undertaken, under the Local Improvement Act when a frontage rate is incapable or difficult of determination, to charge an equitable proportion of the cost of any such work against any area or areas which are benefited or not, and whether the same has or has not a frontage on any street, and to assess such charge by a special rate.

(c) To take over, alter and improve any waterworks, mains, pipes or plant hereto-fore or hereafter constructed and to assume all liability in connection therewith and particularly to exercise in connection therewith the rights provided by Subs. 103 to Sec. 54 of the Municipal Act, and all rights to be granted by the Act to be passed.

(d) Authorizing the Municipality to borrow money for fire protection purposes;

(e) Validating the Marigold and Blackwood Local Improvement Act and adding thereto, by Law, affecting the same to be hereafter passed defining the areas set out in said By-Laws and fixing the assessments and permitting the Municipality to collect and collect the actual costs of the works.

(f) And for such other powers as may be necessary or convenient in connection with the above.

Dated the 1st day of December, 1914.

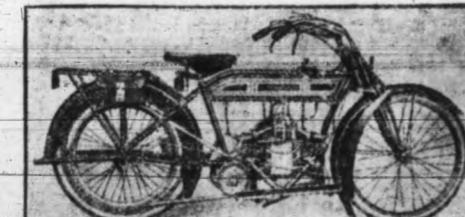
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Victoria Times, December 14, 1889.

Mr. W. H. Mason is collecting for the B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home and is meeting with great success. It is well to see that in a period of prosperity the unfortunate are not forgotten.

A scow loaded with 75 tons of granite from J. E. Phillips' quarry on Saanich Arm arrived in port this morning. This is the first shipment from this quarry since it has been opened. Next week a cargo of 100 tons of granite will be brought from the quarry for the rubble work in the city hall addition.

The Preston truck and fire-escape arrived from Toronto last night, coming across the Islander. The extension ladder can be raised to a height of 72 feet, higher than any habitable building in the city. There are seven other ladders ranging from 16 feet to 50 feet in length, and Babcock extinguishers complete the equipment.

Messrs. Herbert Kent and J. G. Brown will leave for New Westminster to-morrow night to sing in the oratorio, "The Messiah," at a concert given by the Choral Union of the Royal City.

Be Comfortable get one of those Cosy Rooms, \$2.50 per week at the Blashard Inn, next Public Library.

Souvenirs Free at the new Singer Sewing Machine store, 746 Yates Street.

An Acknowledgment.—A gift which was much appreciated by the members of the staff was sent to the Times this morning by Copas and Young. It was a box of Japanese oranges, the delicious fruit from the Orient which is just in very large demand as a Christmas delicacy.

Letter From Wreck.—A letter which went down with the ill-fated Empress of Ireland has come back to Victoria, from where it started. It was one written by J. E. Painter on May 21 to his son, Frederick, in England. Recovered from the wreck by divers, it has been sent back to Mr. Painter here. It is in as good condition as when sent, save only that the stamp is missing, having yielded to the effects of the moisture.

Change in Formation.—Taking the cue from the changed formation of the first contingent of the Canadian expeditionary force the formation of the second contingent is being altered from companies to platoons, which will be of a strength of 250 each, or double the strength of a company. This will make little difference in the officering of the battalion.

Denies Allegation.—Mayor Stewart absolutely denies that there is any foundation for the allegation made to the unemployment committee that he had threatened the intervention of the police against persons making application for relief. Apart from the statutory obligation under which the mayor is compelled to find relief, he says that his public career would be sufficient answer to a calamity of that character.

Sailors' Christmas.—At the meeting of the Ladies' Guild of Seamen's institute held last week arrangements were made to give the sailors a Christmas tree, and several of the members volunteered to send over provisions for the Christmas dinner to be served at the institute on that day. The Daisy Chain chapter of the L. O. D. E. will have the tree which the Navy League chapter goes, and will give a Christmas tree on December 23 for the children of the sailors in port. After the Christmas tree there will be an entertainment.

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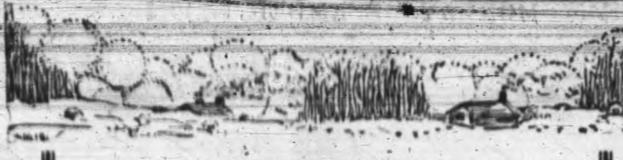
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A stirring dramatic sketch, "The Kidnapper," possesses, in addition, strong comedy features, and, as it stars no less a personage than Wimfred Sherbourne, is sure to prove a worthy co-head liner. Jack Montgomery lends able support to the efforts of Miss Sherbourne.

Haley and Hale are vaudeville favorites with their odd musical act. The efforts of a monkey lend much to the success of the turn. The four DeKock brothers are sensational acrobats and of Hughes, the other act, the only thing to be paid in advance is "What is it all about?" The act is a good one or it would not be found in a Pantages theatre, but it is not the design of an advance notice to spoil sport by giving away the riddle.

"ALL DUE TO DIANA."

"All Due to Diana," the comedy adapted from the French which is to be produced by the Allen Players at the Princess theatre to-night, is one of the best comedies this clever company has put on and that is saying a good deal for "The Girl in the Taxi" has to be reckoned with.

One of the funny things about this play is the extraordinary collection of character studies it has. Mrs. P. R. Allen, as a one-time ballet dancer, has a part which is bound to be a success. Miss Verna Felton will play the part of Marie, the French vaudeville artist. This is a part distinct from all other parts she has appeared in.

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A FINE BILL.

A beautiful two-part dramatic feature of society and the stage, adapted from Charles Reade's noted novel "Peg Woffington," and produced by Biograph's all-star cast is being depicted in clear and vivid pictures at the Majestic theatre to-day and Tuesday. Strong dramatic work was necessary to bring out the points in this unusual offering, and those who had the various characters in hand did full justice to the author's conception; the scenic effects, photography and costuming are perfect. Some very real scenes from the seat of war are shown, as well as a number of other selected films produced by the famous players who are so well known and admired at this theatre. The whole constitutes one of the finest shows that can be selected from the immense stock of films that are obtainable.

ARLISS IN "DISRAELI."

George Arliss and his English company under the management of the Liebler company, will present Louis Parker's play "Disraeli" at the Royal Victoria theatre, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 17, 18 and 19. In this comedy Disraeli is shown at the height of his career, but at a time when many of the most influential men and institutions of Great Britain were not in agreement with the popular view of his abilities as prime minister. Thus the Bank of England refuses to lend money necessary to buy the Suez canal from Egypt, although the sum is comparatively a small one, and the Russian representatives stand ready to outbid Great Britain. Disraeli, by a coup made up in equal parts of constructive statesmanship and shrewd reading of human nature, obtains the canal and thereby realizes his cherished dream of having Queen Victoria declared Empress of India. There is a delightful romance of engraving interest, running through the play, showing Disraeli in the position of match-maker.

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Mink Tie, regular \$27.50. Special	\$22.00
Mink Tie, regular \$29.50. Special	\$23.50
Pointed Fox Muff, regular \$59.50. Special	\$47.00
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Electric Seal Tie, regular \$22.50. Special	\$18.50
Electric Seal Muff, regular \$18.50. Special	\$14.75
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3 for	
Indian Chutney, per jar, 50¢ and	25¢
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Per dozen tins	\$2.75
Cocoa, in bulk, per pound	25¢
Chase & Sanborn's Coffee, 2 lb. tin \$5c; 1 lb. tin	45¢
Anti-Combine Coffee, 1 lb. tin	35¢
Red Label Coffee, 1 lb. tin	25¢
Fancy Seeded Raisins, Victoria N. Brand, the finest packed, large 16 oz. packet	10¢
Fine Re-Cleaned Currents, per pound	10¢
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Batger's New Mixed Peel, 1 pound box	20¢
Demerara Sugar, per pound	10¢
Singapore Pineapple, 2 cans for	25¢
Nice Juicy Lemons, per dozen	25¢
Nice Mealy Potatoes, 100 lb. sack	\$1.00
Fine Table Apples, per box, \$1.15 and	\$1.00
Eno's Fruit Salts, per bottle	75¢
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Sagolio, per cake	10¢
SWIFT'S SELECTED PICNIC HAM Per lb.	15c

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Borax, per packet	10¢
Gold Dust Washing Powder, large packet	20¢
Golden West Washing Powder, large packet	20¢
Armour's Cleanser, equal to any cleaner made, 4 tins for	25¢
Superfine Toilet Soap, 9 cakes for	25¢
Anti-Combine Laundry Soap, 7 bars for	25¢
Sunlight or Lifebuoy Soap, 11 bars for	50¢
Christie Brown's Biscuits, all kinds	25¢
Popham's Soda Biscuits, per tin	25¢
Popham's Fresh Ginger Snaps, 3 pounds for	25¢
Christie's Graham Wafers, 2 lb. tin	35¢
Prime Ontario Cheese, per pound	20¢
McLaren's Imperial Cheese, per jar, 50¢ and	25¢
Burns' or Swift's Pure Lard—	
10 pound tin	\$1.35
5 pound tin	70¢
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Nice Mild Cured Hams, per pound	20¢
Swift's Premium Ham, per pound	24¢
Breakfast Bacon, per lb. by the piece	25¢
Finest Japan Rice, Sago or Tapioca, 4 pounds for	25¢
Robinson's Patent Barley or Groats, per tin	25¢
Magic Baking Powder, 5 lb. can	90¢
12 oz. can	20¢
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Dr. Price's or Royal Baking Powder, 2½ lb. can	\$1.10
12 oz. can	35¢
Bovril, per jar, 65¢, 35¢ and	20¢
Bovril Cordial, large 20 oz. jar	\$1.25
Johnson's Fluid Beef, large 16 oz. jar	\$1.00
Blacking, Just Out, 2 in 1, Nugget, or English Army, 3 tins for	25¢
Cream of Wheat, per packet	20¢
Malta Vita, per packet	10¢
Krinkle Corn Flakes, 3 packets for	25¢
Shredded Wheat Biscuits, 2 packets for	25¢
Creamo, just like Cream of Wheat, 10 pound sack	50¢
St. Charles or B. C. Cream, large 20 oz. cans, 3 for	25¢
Gold Seal Milk, 2 cans for	25¢
Lipton's or Tetley's Tea, 1 pound tin	45¢
Tetley's Loose Tea, 4 pounds for	\$1.00
Bird's Egg or Custard Powder, per package	15¢
Corn Starch, Canadian, 3 packets for	25¢
Shredded Cocomat, per pound	20¢
Essences—Anti-Combine Brand, all flavors, 2 oz. bot	20¢
4 oz. bot	35¢
8 oz. bot	50¢
Flour, C. & Y. Brand, per sack	\$1.80
Herrings in Tomatoes, Brüce's, per can	10¢
Mackerel in Tomato Sauce, per can	10¢
Fancy Shelled Walnuts, per lb.	60¢
TOMATOES —Tartan Brand—	
Large can	10c

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Cox's Gelatine, per packet	10¢
Jello, all flavors, 3 packets for	25¢
Grape Juice, Fremont, per bottle, 45¢ and	25¢
Potted Meat, for sandwiches, 4 tins for	25¢
B. C. Granulated Sugar, 100 lb. sack	\$6.60
20 lb. sack	\$1.35
Icing Sugar—B. C. per lb.	10¢
Pure Jam, Buchanan's, all kinds, 4 pound tin	65¢
Pure Jam, Noel's or Buchanan's, two X 1 pound jars	35¢
Pure Orange Marmalade, 4 pound tin	50¢
.1 pound jar	15¢
Genuine Italian Macaroni, per packet	10¢
Molasses—5 lb. tin	35¢
2 lb. tin	15¢
Marmalade, Fig, Ginger or Pineapple, 2 X 1 lb. glass jars	35¢
Sardines—Canadian, 4 tins for	25¢
Sardines—King Oscar, 2 tins for	25¢
Lea & Perrin's Sauce, per bottle, 65¢ and	35¢
Rowat's Worcester Sauce, 3 bottles	25¢
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Forecasts.
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Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, becoming unsettled and milder, with rain on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.34; temperature, maximum yesterday, 39; minimum, 34; wind, 4 miles E., weather, cloudy.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.35; temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 24; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.59; temperature, maximum yesterday, 16; minimum, 10; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, clear.

Port Alberni—Barometer, 30.44; temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 24; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, cloudy.

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It is not our desire to lay the blame on the shoulders of our fellow citizens. We do not make our appeal to sentimental considerations especially, nor yet to sense of duty.

Rather do we take the blame on our own shoulders and feel that in many regards we must necessarily have fallen short of the mark. We wish to assert that we have given very serious consideration to this matter. To begin properly, we first took thought of ourselves and, in making this appeal on a sound business basis to the people of Victoria, we would first state that it is our intention—more than ever before—to play our part well, to give the utmost in service, to charge fair prices, to give full value in what we sell, and generally to merit the complete confidence and patronage of our own people.

Conservatively estimated, the total of the moneys expended by our own people in the course of a year, outside of Victoria, for goods that could be bought here to equal advantage would be sufficient to solve the present unemployment question, support hundreds of families; fill hundreds of empty houses.

The firms represented in this special advertisement alone employ at the present time upwards of 500 people. If all our own people decided to "Buy in Victoria," first, last and all the time, that number could be almost doubled, and that without taking into account all the other Victoria firms that would be similarly affected.

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It benefits you financially and generally, because, other things being equal, you owe it to your own community to support your own merchants; because they carry large stocks that you may make your own selection; because they make delivery immediately and exchange when necessary; because they pay rent, taxes, salaries, advertising, etc., all of which benefits you; because Victoria is not, as yet, a manufacturing city and its permanent prosperity depends largely on prosperous merchants. Victoria's prosperity is YOUR prosperity!

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SAANICH IMPROVEMENTS

Court of Revision on Two Local Im-
provement By-Laws Being Held
To-day.

A court of revision on Lake road improvement and the extension of Shelburne street is being held this afternoon at the Royal Oak hall. In the Lake road case tenders have been received by the Saanich council for the subway under the Victoria & Sidney railway, the reinforced concrete culvert and the grading of the road from Carey road to Agnes street. The contracts will be awarded to-morrow by the council. The special ass-

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He was an able-bodied out-of-work, and made a general request for a little assistance (says the Manchester Guardian). It was perhaps natural for the donor of twopence to inquire whether the recipient had contemplated enlisting in the army. "I'd go like a shot, sir," came the answer, "but I've such a temper, and when I read what them Germans 'ave done I can't 'old myself in. No, sir, if I was at the front I couldn't 'elp committing outrages on 'em. I'm best at 'one."

"Women may learn to smoke and drink," Well? "But they will never adopt the habit of getting behind a newspaper at breakfast and contribut-
ing only grunts to the conversation."

WAGE CLAIM ALLOWED

Market Inspector for P. Burns & Co.
Given Judgment for Dismissal
Without Notice

Wages claims took the time of the county court to-day. Before hearing a longer one, which is continuing this afternoon, Judge Lamman decided the action of John W. Phillips against P. Burns & Co. in this H. H. Macfarlane for the plaintiff and A. D. Macfarlane for the defence. The claim was for \$50 salary due and \$100 for one month's salary in lieu of notice.

Phillips was employed from the be-

ginning of July last year until July 11 last as market inspector, his duties being to make a daily circuit of the different butcher shops run by the company in the city and district, checking up their cash and making up statements of the condition of business in each for the information of the head office. He was informed on July 6 that owing to irregularities which had been discovered in the market at Beaumont his services were no longer required, but he remained on until July 14 to oblige the manager.

Frank R. Steele, accountant of the Victoria stores, explained that what was considered as a leak had been found in the Beaumont store, although the firm could not swear that any

money was got away with except in one instance, this being due, as he contended, to the lack of a checking of the "C.O.D." slips by Phillips. Instead of the branch being a source of profit it was making a steady loss. The witness denied that Phillips was dismissed.

William B. King, Vancouver, district auditor, told what he and an assistant had done to discover the cause of the leakage, and he considered that Phillips was to blame for this not being found out earlier and stopped. He had told Steele to pay Phillips up to the

SPORTING NEWS

WESTERN ARBITRATOR IS DEMANDED PORTLAND PLAY HERE TO-MORROW

Coast League to Fight for
Tommy Smith and Ske
Ronan; Opening of Local
Season

The Coast League has agreed to accept an eastern arbitrator for the Smith-McDonald trade and they will insist that a western hockey enthusiast give the final decision in the Ronan case," was the statement of Frank Patrick, president of the P. C. H. A., with regard to the controversy between the leading professional hockey organizations. James Smith, of Montreal, will look into the Smith-McDonald trade on Dec. 19 at Montreal, and as this case vitally concerns the Coast League, we feel that we are entitled to a westerner to give the final decision on the Ronan case."

There is little fear of the Coast League backing down on the Ronan deal for he is needed at Portland. The N. H. A. through President Quinn, have notified the Coast League, "President Patrick states that the Coast League did not receive any money for either Proders or McDonald until they had reported to Quebec and Ontario. He therefore takes this as a precedent and says that the Coast League will pay for Ronan when he reports to the P. C. H. A. team. Ronan has asked for a higher contract from the Coast League, but the later officials are determined that this player shall be suspended if he does not report before the end of this month to the Portland Club.

With regard to the Smith-McDonald trade, Frank Patrick says that this blocked the P. C. H. A. draft on the Quebec Club and he will push this case to the utmost as the Coast League would very much like to secure the services of Smith. The latter led the N. H. A. in scoring for two seasons in a row and would be a valuable drawing card for this circuit.

WESTS COPPED TWO GAMES ON SATURDAY

V. F. A. Title May Go to Green
Shirts; Wards Victors in
Junior Feature 6 to 0

Victoria and Westminster Rugby clubs have been invited by Tacoma Rugby authorities to give an exhibition of the English game at Tacoma the first of the year. Secretary Neelholson, of the Victoria union, stated this morning that the local team was ready for this game and it is altogether probable that the clubs will play at Tacoma early in January.

Senior Results:

Victoria Wests, 2; Thistles, 0. Seven-minute play-off defaulted by Thistles.

League Standing:

P. W. L. D. Pts

Jacksons 6 4 2 0 8

Wests 6 3 2 1 7

Thistles 6 1 4 1 3

Intermediate Results:

C. P. R. 3; Victoria Wests, 0.

Empires, 4; Fairfields, 0.

Oak Bay—defeated by Civic Service.

League Standing:

W. L. D. Pts

North Wests 6 2 1 13

Victoria Wests 5 1 0 8

High School A 2 2 0 4

High School B 1 2 0 2

Y. M. C. A. 0 5 0 0

Junior Results:

Wards, 6; Wests, 0.

League Standing:

W. L. D. Pts

North Wests 5 1 0 10

Victoria Wests 4 1 0 8

High School A 2 2 0 4

High School B 1 2 0 2

Y. M. C. A. 0 5 0 0

Victoria Wests chalked up two wins on Saturday and are right now trailing the Sir John Jackson club for the leadership of the Victoria Football association. Thistles refused to play off the seven-minute game, as ordered by the British Columbia Football association and the Wests won this match by default, while they took down the regular league fixtures by a score of 2 to 0. The result of the week-end series mean that the Wests and Jacksons will fight it out for the V. F. A. honors, while the Thistles will have to be content with a chance for the Peden cup.

Jack Coulson's lead work in signing up Hines and Plunking, of the defunct Bays, was chiefly responsible for the victory of the green and white eleven over the Scottish team. This pair made all the difference in the world to the former champions. They appeared to have regained their old-time aggressiveness, with the result that the Thistles had to handle the ball on the defensive for the greater part of the time. That old rush and shot was again the chief feature of the Wests' attack, while their defense was as perfect as could be wished for.

Thistles missed their real good chance to break into the summary when Roberton, in the lead, struck a penalty kick, the work of Scrimpton in that club's play. Wests had an edge when it came down to finer team play, though the Thistles never let up for a minute and fought every inch of the ground. Greg and Muir played

TO-MORROW'S GAME



PETE MULDOON

Portland manager, who has changed his team for to-morrow's match against the Victoria club at the Willows Arena.

CAPITAL CITY TEAM DESERVED VICTORY

Vancouver Lucky to Hold
Local Rugby Fifteen to Tie
in Final at Brockton Pt.

With a greatly changed team Victoria played remarkable rugby on Saturday, holding the Terminal fifteen to a 3 to 3 draw game, in the final of the Inter-City matches for this season. Vancouver, by virtue of their 6 to 3 victory over the locals a month ago, win the round, but the showing of the local representative squad at the midweek was a treat to the local followers of this grand old game.

Only five veterans were in Saturday's lineup for Victoria, yet the Capital City rugby squad earned a win, only an unfortunate fumble by Adams in the final half, after a three-quarter spring by Hill, prevented the Islanders from emerging victorious. Vancouver never crossed Victoria's line, scoring only points on a penalty kick by Richardson from the five yard set-up. Hill starred for Victoria, grabbing a loose ball in the first half for the only touch down of the game, while he was in front at all times with his great speed.

The local team used the All-Black lineup, with Hendra as a five-eighth, the plan working well. Vancouver was held well in the scrum while the local three-quarter line fairly excelled themselves in their splendid passing rallies. Knox at fullback was very safe, while much aggressive forwards as Sedger, MacLachlan, Griffiths and Samson held the Vancouver team well. Vancouver lined up with exactly the same team that won from Victoria, the teams being the youngest collection of representatives in the history of the game on the coast.

The teams: Vancouver — Fullback, Smith; three-quarter, Pringle, Drybray, McGowan; five-eights, Lord; halves, Marshall and McLehan; forwards, Helme, Clement, Fraser, Brown, Richardson, Decker and Godfrey.

Victoria — Fullback, Knox; three-quarter, Adams, Hill, Vincent and Mason; five-eights, Hendra; halves, Shires and Newcombe; forwards, MacLachlan, Sedger, Griffiths, Adams, Samson, Ross and Reed.

Referee: Patterson, Vancouver.

VICTORIA LADIES WON OVER VANCOUVER TEAM

Victoria registered a very easy win over the Vancouver Normal school field hockeyists at Oak Bay on Saturday, when the ladies' club won by nine goals to nil. The strengthened Victoria line-up outplayed their opponents at all stages of the game. Miss Briggs, the local captain, secured three goals, Miss Hall scoring two, while Miss Jackson and Miss Vail each scored a goal. The team:

Normal—Miss Wilson, Miss Morgan, Miss Walker, Miss Burpee, Miss Brown, Miss O'Callaghan, Miss D'Easum, Miss Wood, Miss Peck, Miss Schi, Miss Sullivan.

Victoria—ladies—Miss Cessford, Miss Papke, Miss Vincent, Miss Nason, Miss Cottsworth, Miss Christopher, Miss Hall, Miss Vail, Miss Briggs, Miss Schi, Miss Jackson.

BILLIARD MATCH.

Broad Street clash with the C. & C. billiard team in to-night's league match at the Broad street hall. The teams: Broad Street—Irish, Woodcock, Allan, Atkinson and Taylor; C. & C.—Broadfoot, Province, Kershaw, Manard and Williams.

GAME CALLED OFF.

Civic Service field hockeyists did not play on Saturday because the High School-McGill combination failed to field a team.

VICTORIA WILL RETAIN FRANCHISE

KINGHAM LEAVES FOR MEETING

Big Trade Rumored in Na
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Signs a Few More Young
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President Kingham stated this morning that Victoria will retain its franchise in the Northwestern League. He will leave this afternoon to attend the annual gathering of the league, and says that there is no danger of the Victoria club being sidelined in 1915, despite the many rumors that have appeared to this effect. Bob Brown and Owner Kingham had a conference in the city yesterday, at which these magnates decided to support the smaller "salary limit, and also the cut player limit."

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MINISTERS PROTEST AGAINST LOTTERY

Rev. J. G. Inkster and Rev. Dr. Scott Vigorously State Their Views

Scathing reference was made in a sermon last night by Rev. J. G. Inkster at the First Presbyterian church to the big "sweep" which is now being organized in the city. The preacher said:

"Not long ago these sweepstakes were put down as illegal and criminal, and were therefore stopped. Some of the leading citizens are starting a lottery to lift the theatre out of a hole. Is it right? Are we going to stand for it?"

Continuing Mr. Inkster urged that it was against the dictates of conscience to allow such a thing to proceed, and enjoined all present to do their utmost to put it down and smash it.

He preached from the text at the beginning of Genesis 22, "And it came to pass that God did tempt Abraham, and said, take thine only son and offer him there for a burnt offering."

The preacher drew a contrast between the test of Abraham and Agamemnon and showed why the former will outlive the latter, though from a worldly point of view the latter was the greater test. He pointed out the subtlety of the faith which could rest unreasonably on the word of the Almighty, and drew therefrom the lesson that in the crises of life implicit trust in God was better than reason. Mr. Inkster said that while he would be the last man to deprecate the value of reasoning, it was dangerous to allow Reason to assume forms which did not belong to her. The position on which Germany now stands was due to the fact that for a century she had allowed reason to run riot within her borders. The British empire would stand and would prevail, added the preacher, because it holds to the Bible as its guide. When the German emperor attempted to get a "snap verdict" by a rapid attempt at striking a decisive blow against France and Great Britain, he left the Almighty altogether out of his calculations.

The speaker drew another parallel from the subject of his text in showing how the fathers and mothers of the British race were unselfishly giving their sons to the great cause. It was harder for a man to sacrifice his son than to give up himself. That was why Abraham's trial was the supreme test of his faith. God, however, always prepared man for the test, as Abraham was prepared and strengthened, as Christ was aided in the Garden of Gethsemane.

Dr. Scott's Views.

Speaking on gambling to the Brotherhood of the Metropolitan church yesterday afternoon, Dr. G. T. Scott said:

"Most of you are aware of a scheme that is being exploited upon the public of this province by a group of financiers in possession of the Royal Victoria theatre. Some weeks ago the group approached the Ministerial association of this city, asking what the attitude would be towards it, and the suggestion met with marked disapproval. Then an academical question was put up to them in the shape of municipal ownership and control of the theatre, and the association agreed to become parties to an interview with the city council. But the interested parties put them in an awkward position by placing a business proposition before the council: a proposition that no sensible man could honestly consent to, for naturally no one would negotiate the taking over any concern but upon its financial merits. However, you know the council's decision...

And now we are faced with the original intention of the men desirous of unloading their financial liability upon the community by means of a lottery in contravention of the Dominion and Provincial gaming law. I beg to protest vigorously against the immorality of the project, and hope that everyone present will present an uncompromising opposition to the breaking of a statute of the province."

Dr. Scott further pointed out that the scheme was all the more to be condemned because of the appeal to patriotism and charitable instincts of the public which sought to disguise the illegal and immoral aspect of the project, and though it had been stated that it would receive the support of the press, he could scarcely see how it could logically do so in the face of the attitude it had previously taken to race-track gambling and sweepstakes, and more recently its censure of the attorney-general's determination to stamp out the evils thereof. And whilst one of the principal promoters of the lottery had said that it was not likely that the government would interfere, he could assure them the Ministerial association would do its utmost to prevail upon the attorney-general to quash the baneful lottery.

At the close of the address a committee was nominated to co-operate with any organized body to arrange a public protest.

Ward Seven Association.—Ward Seven Saanich ratepayers' association will hold its annual meeting this evening at the Presbyterian hall, Tillicum road. It is expected that a candidate will be selected for the ward. No opposition to Councillor Adams is anticipated. There are three Saanich ward associations meeting this evening.

Daughters of Empire.—The following chapters of the Daughters of the Empire will be in charge of the headquarters at the Temple buildings, Fort street, for the week: Monday, Navy League; Tuesday, Florence Nightingale; Wednesday, Lady Douglas; Thursday, Gonzales; Friday, Esquimalt; and Saturday, Agnes Deans Cameron.

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Cherries in Marischino, 40c, 75c	\$1.25
Spanish Cluster Table Raisins, 35c, 50c	\$1.50
New Nuts, 25c	30¢
Dates, 2 lb. for 25c	15¢
Smyrna Figs, 15c, 20c	25¢
Cranberry Sauce	40¢
Ripe Olives Extra in glass, 20c, 50c, 75c	\$1.00
Ripe Olives in tins, 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c	\$1.00
French Prunes in bottles	\$1.25
French Prunes in tins, per lb., 40c, 5 lb. tins	\$1.65
California Table Raisins, per lb.	25¢
Figs in Brandy	\$1.25
Figs in Marischino, 85c	85¢
Figs in Syrup, Imperial, 60c	60¢
Figs in Syrup, Tea Garden	\$1.00
Figs in Syrup, Cresca, 50c	35¢
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Anchovies in Oil, in glass, 35c, 65c	25¢
Filet de Anchois	75¢
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Pin Money Mixed Pickles	\$1.25
Pin Money Ghirkins, 75c	\$1.00
Pate de Fio Gras, jars, 50c	\$1.75
Pate de Fio Gras, tins, \$1.00, \$1.50	\$1.25
Real Russian Caviare, 45c, 50c	90¢
Alghieris Soups, 35c, 40c	\$1.25
Green Turtle Meat, 90c	\$1.15
Green Turtle Soup, 90c	50¢
Tom Smith's Artificial Flowers, bunch, 20c	50¢
Dixi Pork Sausages, per lb.	25¢
Dixi English Plum Puddings, 75c to	\$2.50
Heinz Mincemeat, per jar	\$1.00
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Oil-Tanker Azov Arrives From Peru to Repair; About Slowest Packet Afloat

Arrives From San Francisco in 47 Hours; Approaches President's Record

Logging the slowest trip on record from Peruvian ports to British Columbia, the British oil-tanker Azov, Capt. Williams, arrived at William Head yesterday afternoon, and after obtaining her pratique proceeded to Vancouver in charge of Capt. Charles Harris, the local pilot. After discharging a half-car of oil at the Terminal City, the Azov will be brought to Esquimalt to go into drydock to have her hull repaired. The steamship struck a rock near Talaria, Peru, on October 29, and was ordered by her owners to come to Esquimalt to repair.

On the voyage up the coast the Azov made only six knots an hour. At her best the steamship can make seven and a half knots an hour, and Capt. Williams said yesterday that if he had encountered head winds and seas on the way to Victoria he would never have got here. As it was the weather was beautiful, and the sea was as smooth as a mill-pond. The Azov is a vessel of 4,511 tons and is the slowest ever to visit this part of the world. Capt. Cox, one of the Victoria pilots, boarded the steamship off Brotchie Ledge yesterday and took the vessel back to William Head for her bill of health. The Azov was four hours making the trip from the Ledge to the Head and back again. She took 14 hours to make the run to Vancouver.

Large Repair Work

Extensive repairs will be made to the Azov. Her master expects to have the ship in dock at Esquimalt for about one month. The bottom of the steamship is badly battered, through her bump on the reef. Numerous plates and frames will have to be removed and new ones set in place. The work will be carried out by Yarrow's.

The officers and the members of the crew were glad to learn of the naval victory of the British over the Germans off the Falkland Islands. The pilots also gave them the latest news from the continent and the men on board were placed in high spirits. One of the officers, a German, found on board will be taken charge of by the military authorities.

HANALEI'S MASTER LOSES TICKET FOR TWO YEARS

San Francisco, Dec. 14.—Tha license of Capt. James J. Carey, master of the steamer Hanalei, which went to pieces on Duckbury reef November 23 with a loss of 22 lives, was suspended Saturday for two years by James Guthrie and Joseph E. Dolan, United States coast inspectors, in an order which adjudged Capt. Carey guilty of negligence and unskillfulness. There remains an opportunity for Capt. Carey to appeal the decision to Superintending Inspector Bulger, or to the officials of navigation in Washington. D. C. His sentence of suspension is one of the longest given in recent years here.

When the Hanalei plied up on the reef she was running at full speed, although she was enveloped in a thick fog. Capt. Carey was not on the bridge, having left the vessel in charge of Second Officer Reese, whom he blamed for the wreck. Reese was drowned.

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The C. P. R. has decided to tie up this well known vessel for the winter and she is now berthed alongside the Princess Beatrice in the inner harbor. The Royal ran ashore in Sabine channel some weeks ago and has just finished repairing. She will return to service next spring.

Golden Gate to Victoria in 46 hours of the Discoverer Duke Tid's Week.

Agents of the Harrison liner Discoverer have been patiently waiting for the past few days for news of the departure from San Francisco of the ship. She is fully due here, but so far no news has been received from her. The long cargo on the vessel is eagerly wanted by the merchants and it was hoped that the Discoverer will dock here before the middle of this week.

Tomorrow afternoon at 5:30 o'clock the Nippon liner Aki Maru, Capt. Nomura, will sail from Victoria for the Orient, carrying a heavy list of passengers and 7,500 tons of cargo.

Advices were received this morning by R. P. Rithet & Co., local agents of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, stating that the steamship Seattle Maru, Capt. Saito, sailed from Yokohama on December 23. The steamship has only 50 passengers, all told, on board, and 11 of them will disembark at this port. The passenger travel from the Orient to this coast at the present time is very light. The Seattle has 1,900 tons of freight for Victoria and Vancouver.

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FOURTH EGG-LAYING TEST AT WILLOWS

L. M. Ross' and Dean Brothers' Pens in Lead; the Records to Date

Interest still runs high among local poultrymen in the fourth international egg-laying contest which is being held under the supervision of the provincial department of agriculture at the exhibition grounds. The contest, as usual, extends over 12 months, from October 10, 1914, to October 9, 1915.

In the non-weight varieties the six birds belonging to L. M. Ross, of Cowichan, hold a clear lead over all comers, while the Dean Bros. pen from Keating in the weight varieties are first in front of their nearest rivals.

The results to date are as follows:

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TIPPERARY (TWISTED.)

(A Camp Song.)

It's a long way from Camp Valcartesy.
It's a long way to go;
It's a weary march and weary,
But to Berlin we must go.

Good-bye, Hotel de Ville,
Farewell, Montreal;

It's a long, long way from Camp Val-

cartesy.
But Berlin must fall.

It's a long way to Berlin City,
It's a long way to go;

But battalions number thirty
Will march to meet the foe.

Good-bye, old Queen City,
Farewell, Bastion Square;

It's a long, long way to Berlin City,
But we'll march right there.

No, it's not far to Tipperary,
Not a great way to go;

And when of war the Deutscher's weary,
Back to "Blighty" we will go.

Then good-bye, Berlin City,
Farewell, great Kaiser;

It's a long, long way to St. Helena,
And he'll go right there.

It's a long way to St. Helena,
And it's the wrong way to go;

Bare-barred fences, "live-wire" sentries,
Where the kaiser's got to go.

Good-bye, Emperor Willie,
And of your guards b-e-ware,

For there's a short, short way to—
(not ema).

And you'd sure go there.

We are down-hearted, Kaiser Willie?
Well, I should say no;

And you'll get lots of oatmeal "skilly"
On that island you'll soon know.

Good-bye, dear old armistice,

It's a long, long way to London City,
Which you'll never see.

And we'll sing "The Maple Leaf For
Ever."

At forward we go;

For Victoria boys will never

Turn their backs toward the foe,

And we'll back to Berlin City,

March back to Le Mer.

Then it's me for good old Dublin City,
For my heart's right there.

It's a lonesome night, it's black and dreary,
And the cold winds do blow.

It's a lonesome night, wet and weary,
As I do, do, do, do, do.

Made up while on guard,

On my dark, damp beat upon the jetty,

At Esquimalt dockyard.

A. H. W.

No. 2 Coy., V. F.

THE EASIEST WAY TO END DANDRUFF

Stop Falling Hair and Itching Scalp.

There is one sure way that never fails to remove dandruff completely and that is to dissolve it. This destroys it entirely. To do this, just get about four ounces of plain, ordinary liquid aconit; apply it at night when retiring; use enough to moisten the scalp and rub it in gently with the finger tips.

By morning most, if not all, of your dandruff will be gone, and three or four more applications will completely dissolve and entirely destroy every single sign and trace of it, no matter how much dandruff you may have.

You will find, too, that all itching and digging of the scalp will stop instantly, and your hair will be fluffy, lustrous, glossy, shiny and soft, and look and feel a hundred times better.

If you want to keep your hair looking rich, do by all means get rid of dandruff, for nothing destroys the hair so quickly. It not only starves the scalp, it falls out, but it makes it stringy, straggly, dull, dry, brittle and lifeless, and everybody notices it. You can get liquid aconit at any drug store. It is inexpensive, and four ounces is all you will need. This simple remedy has never been known to fail.

"This apartment is not big enough to turn around in," said Mr. Groucher. "You are not supposed to turn around in it," replied the agent icily. "We are letting apartments, not ballrooms."

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Those aliens, compelled by the recent order-in-council to resume patrimonies discarded on the outbreak of war, must regret that they do not live under the Stars and Stripes. They do things differently there. As an instance of the surprising facility with which residents in the United States change their names, the case was quoted not long ago of a tradesman in New Orleans, who translated his name in successive stages from "Flint" to "Peters."

When he moved from an American quarter to a German quarter his name of "Flint" became "Feuerstein," which, for convenience, was shortened to "Stein." Upon his removal to a French district he was rechristened "M. Pierre." Then he went to an English-speaking quarter again, and translated his name into "Peters." Some of his first neighbors, not knowing the story of his moves, could not understand how "Flint" had turned into "Peters."

It requires a little analysis with the aid of a French and German dictionary to follow the ingenious changes.

CONCERT AT COWICHAN

Delightful Programme Given Under Auspices of League of Young Patriots.

The second of a series of entertainments under the auspices of the Cowichan League of Young Patriots was held on Friday at Cowichan, a particularly pleasing programme including several artists who had not previously appeared before one of the audiences of that place.

Mr. Willett displayed great artistic skill in his rendering of two violin solos; and Mr. Ferneyhough sang with great spirit, "We fight the win or die." Cowichan owes a debt of gratitude to Mrs. Cuppage for her rendering of "Bravo," although recited at the former concert very well, it took Mrs. Cuppage's finished elocution to prove to the audience all that this fine poem is meant to convey. Mrs. Roche's rendering of "So Long, Mary," with a chorus all in Red Cross uniform, was one of the most pleasing numbers on the programme. As usual Miss Phillips Davis excelled in "Are We Downhearted?" having to respond to five encores. Gerard Pooley was heard to advantage in a good couple song. Mrs. D. O. Rochford's rendering of "La Belle Parisienne" will long be remembered, being full of sparkle and brilliancy. Miss Phillips Davis appeared again in "Jolly Good Luck to the Girl who loves a Soldier" and "Lads in Navy Blue," in both numbers having to respond to several encores.

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Pen 19—G. O. Peoley, Duncan, White Leghorns, 115 eggs.

Pen 19—W. E. Extride, Duncan, White Leghorns, 110 eggs.

Pen 19—L. M. Hincks, Langford, White Leghorns, 105 eggs.

Pen 19—F. Solly, Westholme, White Leghorns, 100 eggs.

Pen 19—T. H. Lambert, Cortes Island, White Leghorns, 98 eggs.

Pen 19—C. Butterfield, Saanichton, White Leghorns, 95 eggs.

Pen 19—H. A. Hincks, Langford, White Leghorns, 90 eggs.

Pen 19—G. O. Peoley, Duncan, White Leghorns, 88 eggs.

Pen 19—W. E. Extride, Duncan, White Leghorns, 85 eggs.

Pen 19—T. H. Lambert, Cortes Island, White Leghorns, 82 eggs.

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Pen 19—W. E. Extride, Duncan, White Leghorns, 68 eggs.

Pen 19—T. H. Lambert, Cortes Island, White Leghorns, 65 eggs.

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Pen 19—G. O. Peoley, Duncan, White Leghorns, 52 eggs.

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Pen 19—T. H. Lambert, Cortes Island, White Leghorns, 48 eggs.

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Pen 19—W. E. Extride, Duncan, White Leghorns, 15 eggs.

Pen 19—T. H. Lambert, Cortes Island, White Leghorns, 12 eggs.

Pen 19—H. A. Hincks, Langford, White Leghorns, 10 eggs.

Pen 19—F. Solly, Westholme, White Leghorns, 8 eggs.

Pen 19—C. Butterfield, Saanichton, White Leghorns, 6 eggs.

Pen 19—H. A. Hincks, Langford, White Leghorns, 4 eggs.

Pen 19—G. O. Peoley, Duncan, White Leghorns, 2 eggs.

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FOR SALE—POULTRY.

FOR SALE—A few breeding pens of throughout White Orpington chickens, raised from prize winning stock, and imported birds. Apply Tel. 1500 "Windylawn" Fairfield road.

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BUILD YOUR HOUSE—if you own or have a lot partly paid for, save spent latitude profit, get war price; opportunity will never come to get such bargains again. Get money, plan and build for you. Box 78 Times. d17

FOR SALE—Modern, modern bungalow, 12x16, fronted near sea; fitted for furnace, rooms, tiled, beam ceilings and panelled, street paved; terms as rental. Box 78 Times. d17

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FOR RENT—Centrally located, 7-room house, 3 fireplaces, No. 85 Pandora street, rent only \$20 per month. Apply E. W. Whittington Lumber Co., Ltd., Bridge street and Hillside avenue. Phone 297.

WITH MY OXY-ACETYLENE WELDING PLANT, you can weld castings, plates, any type of parts of cast iron, wrought iron, brass, steel or aluminum, and save you money. I specialize on welding and auto repairing. I employ only experienced help, and my prices are right. Harry Moore, garage, Superior and Metzies streets. d18

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TO RENT—For 6 months or a year, completely furnished house with 4 bedrooms, half a block from car line, in the best residential district. Box 254. Times. d19

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LOCAL NEWS

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Panther Shot.—A large panther, measuring seven feet from tip to tip, was shot last week in Saanich district by Stanley Goyette, of Royal Oak.

Building Permit.—A building permit has been granted to Colin Munro for an addition to 2645 Mount Stephen avenue. J. Foubister is the contractor.

Victoria Concert Orchestra.—The Russian concert given last evening in the Princess theatre by the Victoria concert orchestra under the direction of Benedict Banty proved very enjoyable, the programme being probably the most classic yet performed. Madame Marie Burnett commenced the programme with the Russian National Anthem, accompanied by the entire orchestra. Later she sang "Mignon's Lament" and "Thou art like a flower," with Home, Sweet Home" as an encore. Walter Charles was the other soloist, and played some piano numbers, including the Rachmaninoff Prelude and Paderewski's Minuet with marked ability. As an encore he played the Padewski "Moment Musical." Next Sunday evening a Japanese programme will be given, and several genuine Japanese war songs will be heard in addition to selections of a lighter character from the "Mikado," "Geisha," etc. Miss Barker and Mr. Crook will be the vocalists and a sextette of instrumentalists will give a number from a Japanese musical play.

Fifth Regiment Band.—Many had to be turned away from the Royal Victoria theatre last evening, such a large audience crowding the auditorium on the occasion of the fifth concert under the auspices of the Fifth Regiment band. The programme was an exceptionally fine one, and the house was warm in its appreciation of the various numbers. Opening with the march "United Empire," the band pleased in every number of the evening and was encored six times. All the soloists pleased greatly. Mrs. Robin Densmore, who gave a beautiful rendering of the aria from Handel's Messiah, "He Shall Feed His Flock," singing "Jerusalem" as an encore, and Mrs. R. H. Pooley, whose every appearance is popular, repeating the last verse of "The Best Old Flag on Earth" in response to the hearty applause which was accorded her. Master W. Balagno, who was delightfully accompanied by his brother, C. Balagno, gave a finished

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FOR SALE—Owner having to leave for England, good paying cigar stand, good location, rent \$10. Border Hotel. d19

LOST—On Fernwood road, Saturday afternoon, grey suede bag containing sum of money. Reward if returned to 629 Front street. d19

DANCE, every Tuesday at Semple's Hall, Victoria West. Gentlemen 50c; ladies free. d19

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The Canada Gazette in its last issue contains an order-in-council in regard to the payment of a separation allowance to the wives and families, dependents or motherless children of officers, warrant officers and men of His Majesty's Canadian Navy. There are three scales laid down, the first applying to Imperial service men loaned to Canada for the period of the war, the payments to commence as from October 1.

Under the second scale are included all officers, warrant officers and men who have entered the Royal Canadian navy for the period of the war only, and all those of the Royal Naval Canadian Volunteer Reserve called up for service. These will receive, as from August 4, payments at rates running from \$20 for A. B.'s and leading seamen up to \$40 for lieutenants and upwards per month; but from these amounts will be deducted any sum being received in payment in whole or in part of the salary which was being received in civil life at the time of enlistment.

Under the third scale the families of married men and widowers, not officers, who have entered the Royal Canadian navy for the period of the war, or who belong to the Royal Naval Canadian volunteer reserve and are called up for service, and who are born on the books of a shore establishment or are serving in ships employed on harbor service, will receive an allowance of forty-five cents a day, less anything being received on account of salary.

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"It is a splendid thing to be optimistic in quiet times, for behind the cloud there is a silver lining which will burst into a beautiful sunshine," said Mr. Conway, speaking of the present depression. "We have a great future and it is our duty to go forward, unfalteringly." (Applause.)

G. H. Barnard, M.P., replied for the province. He pointed out the extent of the contributions in customs and excise to the national revenue from this province, and of the mineral, fishing, and other resources.

"The time is coming," he concluded, "when we shall see prosperity here such as we have never dreamed of. I am perfectly satisfied that when the European war is settled and settled satisfactorily to the people of the British Empire—we shall experience such a development as we have hardly hoped for. We in British Columbia should go forward, trusting in the future, and when anybody suggests to us words of pessimism, we should remember that future."

F. C. Gamble proposed "The University of British Columbia." He hoped that in future engineers would take a larger place in the life of the community than in the past. Failure to do so in the past had been due to apathy or to modesty.

In the absence of Dr. Westbrook, president of the university, Hon. Dr. Young replied, and gave one of those characteristic speeches with which he has explained the needs of the university for several years. He pointed out that education had always lain outside the realm of politics. Even at times in the history of the province when curtailment had been necessary in other forms of public expenditure, there had been no reduction on education. After all, the greatest element in the potential wealth of this province was the human element. The time had come when facilities in the higher branches of education were needed.

"The University of British Columbia will not be a cloister," he said, "but it will take advantage of the development of the different branches of learning that have gradually evolved out of the cloistered system."

Dr. Young promised consideration for the faculty of applied science, in which engineers were interested, and he believed the university would lay the foundation of such a course of instruction that the award of sheepskin would be the hallmark of culture and ability. To Major Stewart fell the honor of proposing the toast of the chairman. He expressed his appreciation of the services of Mr. Rust, who sat at his left, since he came to Victoria and pointed out that municipal engineers had many troubles to contend with in exercising the profession. His worship referred briefly to the Sooke waterworks.

In replying, Mr. Lewis pointed to the growth of the Canadian Society of Civil

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